

Washington Saltwater Sport Fishing Survey



HELP US IMPROVE YOUR SPORT FISHING EXPERIENCE

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Popular Washington Saltwater Sport Fish

Pacific Halibut



- · Can usually be fished for May-August
- Average weight is approximately 20 pounds
- · Current daily limit is 1
- · Minimum size regulation of 32" in some areas

Rockfish (rock cod, seabass, black bass, red snapper)



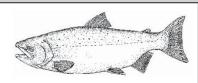
- Includes black, quillback, copper, yellowtail, blue, brown
- · Can usually be fished for year round
- Average weight is approximately 3 pounds
- · Current daily limit is 1 or 10 depending on area fished
- · Retention of yelloweye and canary is not currently allowed

Lingcod



- Can usually be fished for March-October
- · Average weight is approximately 9 pounds
- Current daily limit is 1 or 2 depending on area fished
- Minimum size regulation of 24" or 26" depending on area fished
- · Maximum size regulation of 40" in some areas

King Salmon (chinook)



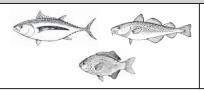
- · Can usually be fished for June-September
- Average weight is approximately 15 pounds
- Current daily limit for salmon is 2, only 1 King
- Minimum size regulation usually 22" or 26" depending on area fished

Silver Salmon (coho)



- Can usually be fished for June-September
- Average weight is approximately 8 pounds
- · Current daily limit for salmon is 2, only 1 King
- Minimum size regulation of 16" in some areas

Other Species

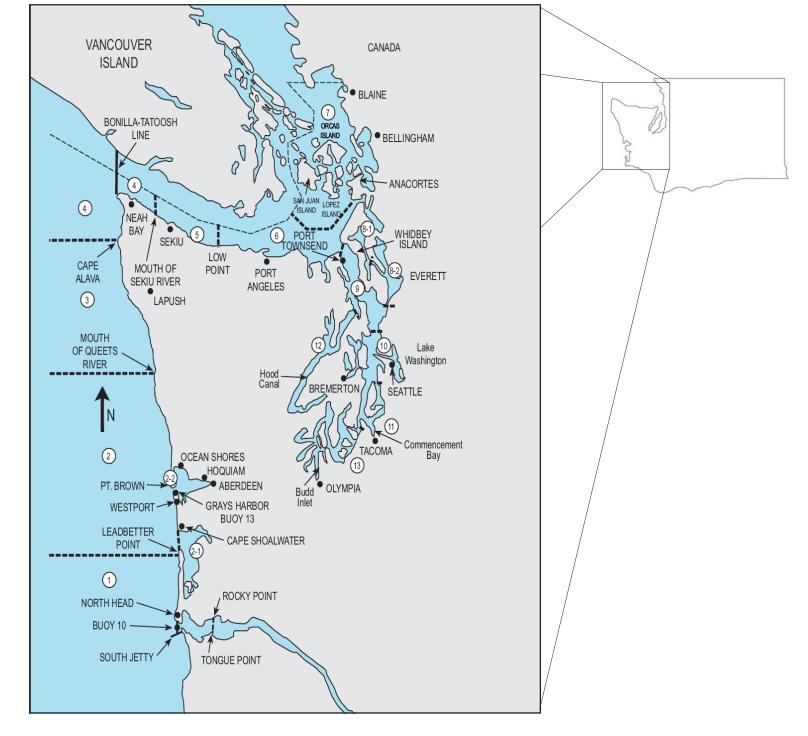


 Includes pink salmon (humpy), chum salmon (dog), tuna, mackerel, greenling, cabezon, sea-run trout (steelhead and cutthroat), pacific cod (true or grey cod), striped bass, sole, perch, sanddab, sturgeon, sharks, flounder, pollock (whiting), hake, herring

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SECTION A: Your 2004 Washington Sport Fishing Activities

The questions in this survey are about YOU and YOUR fishing activities and preferences. Except when asked, please do not include any information from other household members or other fishing party members.
Please print clearly.
Write numbers as two digits: 1 trip = 0 1 Fill in boxes with a ✓ or 🔀
Approximately how many days did you sport fish in Washington during 2004 (in both saltwater and freshwater)? (count partial days as full days)
1-2 days
3-5 days
6-10 days
☐ 11-20 days
Over 20 days
Did not fish
Mainly saltwater Mainly saltwater Mainly saltwater and freshwater Mainly freshwater Only freshwater and freshwater Mainly freshwater Only fresh
stream mouths, including estuaries, and the Columbia River from its mouth to the Tongue Point-Rocky Point line. Yes Continue No Skip to Section B
DURING THE REST OF THE SURVEY, WE ONLY WANT TO KNOW ABOUT SALTWATER FISHING



OCEAN fishing area: Washington Marine Areas 1-4

INSIDE fishing area: Washington Marine Areas 5-13



If you have sport fished in the **Ocean** area, please circle the location you most often launched from on the above map.



If you have sport fished in the **Inside** area, please circle the location you most often launched from on the above map.



A6 Please tell us the number of trips and days you spent sport fishing in the saltwater in the OCEAN and INSIDE areas during 2004 (count partial days as full days). Also indicate whether you used a private boat, charter boat, or fished from shore (mark all that apply).

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SALTWATER SPECIES FISHED FOR DURING TRIP	# of Trips	Total # Days Fished	# of Trips	Total # Days Fished	Private (P) Charter (C) Shore (S)	
Fished for Bottomfish during trip (halibut, rockfish or lingcod)					P C S	
Fished for saltwater Salmon during trip (king or silver)					P C S	
Fished for other species during trip					P C S	

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If Washington saltwater fishing conditions are the same in the future as they were in 2004, how likely is it that you would sport fish in the saltwater off Washington during 2005?

Certain to fish
Very likely
Somewhat likely
Very unlikely
Definitely will not fish

A8 Do you currently own or have access to a boat that you can use for SALTWATER sport fishing?

Own
Access
Neither



Below are a few reasons why you may **SALTWATER** sport fish in Washington. Indicate the extent you agree or disagree with each statement.

"A REASON I SALTWATER SPORT FISH IN WASHINGTON IS TO "	Strongly Agree	Agree	Feel Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Experience fishing and catching fish in Washington.					
Spend time with family.					
Spend time with friends or other people.					
Eat something I caught myself.					
Learn more about fishing or improve fishing skills.					
Try to catch at least one large fish.					
Catch a lot of fish.					
Catch halibut					
Catch rockfish					
Catch lingcod					
Catch saltwater king salmon					
Catch saltwater silver salmon.					
See marine life.					

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We would like to ask you about your preference for keeping the saltwater fish you catch in Washington (mark one for each species).

SALTWATER SPECIES	Have not fished for	I keep ALL of what I'm legally allowed	I keep SOME of what I'm legally allowed	I keep NONE of what I'm legally allowed
Halibut				
Rockfish				
Lingcod				
King Salmon				
Silver Salmon				
Other				
Other				

SECTION B: Your Washington Saltwater Fishing Trip Preferences

In this section we want to know about your preferences for different types of saltwater fishing trips in Washington. The trips vary in location, catch, regulations, and fishing cost. You can pick one of the trips or choose to do something else.

Please consider each choice (A, B, or C) in the following questions carefully, then answer the questions below the table.

Use the **Charter Boat cost** if that is the method you would be more likely to use for that choice. Likewise, use the **Private Boat cost** if that is the method that you would be more likely to use for that choice. (*only use the Private Boat cost if you own or have access to a boat*)

Helpful Information

- **Fishing location:** The fishing location is either in the **Ocean** area or **Inside** area as shown on the map on Page 3. If you have fished the area, the fishing location is where you launch from most often (where you circled the map on Page 3). If you have not fished in one of the areas, the launch point would be the one closest to your residence.
- Catch per day: The catch per day describes the total expected catch of each species, and the average weight of each fish. The average weight is the weight before cleaning or filleting. You may not be able to keep all of the catch depending on the listed Daily Limit.
- **Daily limit:** The daily limit is the number of fish of each species that you are legally allowed to keep per day.
- Fishing Cost per day: The fishing cost per day is <u>your personal share</u> of the fishing cost. The cost of traveling to the launch site is not included in this amount. Please consider the travel cost you'd have to pay when answering the questions. If you'd take an overnight trip, please also consider the lodging/camping cost.

Charter Boat cost: If you would use a charter boat for the trip, the cost is for all charter fees and tips. Cleaning, but not filleting, is included in the charter fee.

Private Boat: If you would use a private boat for the trip, the cost is for bait, ice, tackle, daily moorage or launch fees, and boat fuel purchased especially for the trip.



OCEAN Choice A

INSIDE Choice B

Choice C

Fishing Location		
Halibut	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Rockfish	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Lingcod	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Salmon	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	

Ocean
n/a
1 king (30 lb.) 1 hatchery silver (4 lb.)
2 salmon, 1 king No wild silvers

Inside
n/a
1 hatchery silver (8 lb.) 1 wild silver (8 lb.)
2 salmon, 1 wild silver

Do something other
than saltwater sport
fishing in Washington.

- Fish in freshwater
- Fish in another state
- Do some activity other than fishing

Charter:	Private:
\$75	\$20

Charter:	Private:
\$105	\$50

In the above table, which choice do you MOST prefer? (select only one)

Ocean: Choice A
Inside: Choice B
Choice C Skip to Question B2 on the next page

If your choice above was the **ONLY** type of Washington saltwater sport fishing available to you, how many **TRIPS** would you take in the next **TWO MONTHS**? On average, how many **DAYS** would you fish during a trip?

When answering these questions, please keep in mind the above trip conditions, how much it would cost you, and how much time you have available to fish in the next two months.

# TRIPS per year:		Average # DAYS per trip:	
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3 What method and associated cost did you use when answering 1 and 2 above? (select only one)

Charter Boat	
Private Boat	

OCEAN Choice A

Choice B

INSIDE

Choice C

Fishing Location		
Halibut	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Rockfish	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Lingcod	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Salmon	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	

Ocean	
1 halibut (15 lb.)	
1 halibut	

5 rockfish (4 lb.)

n/a

n/a

n/a

10 rockfish

Inside				
1 halibut (25 lb.)				
1 halibut				
2 rockfish (4 lb.)				
1 rockfish				
n/a				

Do something other
than saltwater sport
fishing in Washington.

- Fish in freshwater
- Fish in another state
- Do some activity other than fishing

Fishing Cost per day (per person)

Charter:	Private:
\$105	\$50

Charter:	Private:
\$185	\$110

In the above table, which choice do you MOST prefer? (select only one)

Ocean: Choice A
Inside: Choice B
Choice C Skip to Question B3 on the next page

2	If your choice above was the ONLY type of Washington saltwater sport fishing available to you, how many
	TRIPS would you take in the next TWO MONTHS? On average, how many DAYS would you fish during a trip

When answering these questions, please keep in mind the above trip conditions, how much it would cost you, and how much time you have available to fish in the next two months.

# TRIPS per year:		A	Γ
# TIXIF 3 per year.		Average # DAYS per trip:	l

3 What method and associated cost did you use when answering 1 and 2 above? (select only one)

Charter Boat
Private Boat

} -#		OCEAN Choice A				Choice C		
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Catch per day (weight each)		/a	n	/a				
Daily limit	n	/a	n	/a				
Catch per day (weight each) 5 rockfish (2 lb.)		than sport f		Do something other than sport fish in the				
Daily limit	10 rockfish	10 rockfish		/a	Ocean area.			
Catch per day (weight each)	2 lingcod (8 lb.) 2 lingcod n/a		n/a n/a		 Fish the Inside area Fish in freshwater Fish in another state Do some activity other than fishing 			
Daily limit								
Catch per day (weight each)			n/a		atch per day n/a 1 hatche	1 hatchery	1 king (8 lb.) 1 hatchery silver (4 lb.) 4 wild silvers (4 lb.)	
Daily limit			2 salmon, 1 king No wild silvers					
ost per day	Charter:	Private:	Charter:	Private: \$50				
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		Ocean. Choice D	
		Choice C Skip to Question B4 on the next page	
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4	TRIP	r choice above was the ONLY type of Washington saltwater sport S would you take in the next TWO MONTHS ? On average, how r	many DAYS would you fish during a trip
		n answering these questions, please keep in mind the above trip o ow much time you have available to fish in the next two months.	conditions, how much it would cost you,
	#TR	IPS per year: Average # DAYS per trip:	
3	Wha	t method and associated cost did you use when answering ① a	and 2 above? (select only one)
		Charter Boat	
		Private Boat	



OCEAN Choice A

Choice B

OCEAN

Choice C

Fishing Location		
Halibut	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Rockfish	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Lingcod	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	
Salmon	Catch per day (weight each)	
	Daily limit	

Ocean	Ocean
1 halibut (15 lb.)	n/a
1 halibut	n/a
10 rockfish (4 lb.)	n/a
10 rockfish	n/a
n/a	n/a
n/a	n/a
n/a	1 hatchery silver (12 lb.) 4 wild silver (8 lb.)
n/a	2 salmon, 1 king No wild silvers

Do something other
than sport fish in the
Ocean area.
Fish the Inside area

- Fish in freshwater
- Fish in another state
- Do some activity other than fishing

Fishing Cost per day (per person)

Charter:	Private:
\$105	\$50

Charter:	Private:
\$75	\$20

In the above table, which choice do you MOST prefer? (select only one)

Ocean: Choice A
Ocean: Choice B
Choice C Skip to Question B5 on the next page

If your choice above was the ONLY type of Washington saltwater sport fishing available to you, how many TRIPS would you take in the next TWO MONTHS? On average, how many DAYS would you fish during a trip?

When answering these questions, please keep in mind the above trip conditions, how much it would cost you, and how much time you have available to fish in the next two months.

# TRIPS per year:		Average # DAYS per trip:	

What method and associated cost did you use when answering and above? (select only one)

Charter Boat
Private Boat

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[Fishing L	ocation	Ins	ide	Inside				
	Halibut	Catch per day (weight each)	n	/a	n/a				
		Daily limit	n	/a	n	/a			
	Rockfish	Catch per day (weight each)	5 rockfish (2 lb.)		n/a		Do something other than sport fish in the		
		Daily limit	2 rockfish		n	/a	Inside area.		
	Lingcod	Catch per day (weight each)	1 lingcod (1 lingcod (8 lb.)		/a	Fish the Ocean areaFish in freshwaterFish in another state		
		Daily limit	1 lingcod		n	/a	 Do some activity other than fishing 		
	Salmon	Catch per day (weight each)	n	n/a		lb.)			
		Daily limit	n	/a	2 salmon, 1 king				
	Fishing Cost per day (per person)		Charter: \$75	Private: \$20	Charter: \$185	Private: \$110			
•		ole, which choice	do you MOST	prefer? (selec	et only one)				
	Inside: Choice A								
☐ Inside: Choice B ☐ Choice C Skip to Question B6 on the next page									
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Average # DAYS per trip:

3 What method and associated cost did you use when answering 1 and 2 above? (select only one)

#TRIPS per year:

Charter Boat
Private Boat

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INSIDE Choice A

INSIDE Choice B

Choice C

Fishing Location			
Halibut	Catch per day (weight each)		
	(weight each) Daily limit Catch per day (weight each) Daily limit		
Rockfish	Catch per day (weight each)		
	Daily limit		
Lingcod	Catch per day (weight each)		
	Daily limit		
Salmon	Catch per day (weight each)		
	Daily limit		

Inside	Inside
n/a	n/a
1 king (15 lb.) 1 wild silver (4 lb.)	2 hatchery silver (8 lb.)

Do something other
than sport fish in the
Inside area.

- Fish the Ocean area
- Fish in freshwater
- Fish in another state
- Do some activity other than fishing

Fishing Cost per day
(per person)

Charter:	Private:
\$105	\$50

2 salmon, 1 king

Charter:	Private:
\$105	\$50

2 salmon, 1 king

In the above table	which choice do	TOOM HOLD	nrofor?	(calact only	(ono)
In the above table,	which choice do	you wios i	preier?	(select only	y one)

Inside: Choice A
Inside: Choice B
Choice C Skip to Section C on the next page

If your choice above was the **ONLY** type of Washington saltwater sport fishing available to you, how many **TRIPS** would you take in the next **TWO MONTHS**? On average, how many **DAYS** would you fish during a trip?

When answering these questions, please keep in mind the above trip conditions, how much it would cost you, and how much time you have available to fish in the next two months.

# TRIPS per year:			Average # DAYS per trip:		
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3 What method and associated cost did you use when answering 1 and 2 above? (select only one)

Charter Boat
Private Boat

SECTION C: Your Most Recent Washington Saltwater Fishing Trip

C1	Have you sportfished for BOTTOMFISH and/or SALTWATER SALMON at least one time during the previous five years? Yes Continue No Skip to Section D
	w, we would like to ask you some questions about your MOST RECENT BOTTOMFISHING or SALTWATER SALMON ling trip in Washington. The remaining questions in Section C are only about your MOST RECENT trip.
C2	During what MONTH and YEAR did your most recent BOTTOMFISHING or SALTWATER SALMON FISHING trip begin?
	Month: Year:
C3	Please write in the location(s) from which you fished or launched a boat DURING YOUR MOST RECENT SALTWATER TRIP . Indicate the number of days fished, and whether you fished with a charter service, on a private boat (yours or a friend's) or from shore. (count partial days as full days)

LOCATION FISHED FROM	Number of Days Fished			
OR BOARDED FISHING BOAT	Charter	Private Boat	Shore	
Location:				

C4

Please provide the following information for the species you fished for **DURING THIS TRIP**.

SPECIES	Number you personally KEPT	Number you personally RELEASED	AVERAGE Weight (lbs. per fish)
Halibut			
Rockfish			
Lingcod			
King Salmon			
Silver Salmon			

Yes
No

Approximately how much money did you PERSONALLY spend DURING THIS TRIP? (do not include any costs paid by others and round to nearest dollar)

Ę	Type of Expenditure	Personal Expend (most recent to	
Transportation	Auto/truck fuel	\$.00
lodsu	Auto/RV rental	\$.00
Tra	Airfare	\$.00
	Other:	\$.00
<u> </u>	Lodging (trailer parks, campgrounds, hotels, motels, B&B, etc.)	\$.00
Food/Lodging	Food and drink from grocery or convenience stores	\$.00
J/poc	Food and drink from restaurants and bars	\$.00
Ľ	Other:	\$.00
	Party, charter, or guide fees (including tips)	\$.00
	Fish filleting fee paid to charter operator or crew	\$.00
	Processing, freezing, or shipping fee paid to fish processing company	\$.00
ted	Fishing tackle and bait (bought or rented for this trip)	\$.00
Fishing Related	Ice	\$.00
hing	Fishing derby entry fees	\$.00
Fis.	Boat fuel, lubricants, and repairs	\$.00
	Moorage or haul out fees for this trip	\$.00
	Gifts/souvenirs	\$.00
	Other:	\$.00

C11	How many people were included in the above expenditures (including yourself)?
	#People:

SECTION D: About You and Your Household

The following questions will help us know more about anglers. The information you provide will remain **STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL**, and you will not be identified with your answers.

D 1	How old are	e you?
i,	Years:	
D2	Are you	.?
G.		Male
		Female
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D3	What is the	highest level of education you have completed?
-8		Some high school
		High school graduate
		Technical school
		Some college
		College graduate or more
D4		swer BOTH question D4 and D5. spanic or Latino?
		Yes
		No
D5	What is you	ur race? (mark one or more to indicate what you consider yourself to be)
		American Indian
		Asian
		Black or African American
		Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
		White

D6	How r	How many members are there in your household (including yourself)?					
6	#	hous	ehold members:				
D7			e following categories best describes your lin 2004?	nousehold's TOTAL annual income			
			Less than \$20,000				
			\$20,000 - \$39,999				
			\$40,000 - \$59,999				
			\$60,000 - \$79,999				
			\$80,000 - \$99,999				
			\$100,000 - \$124,999				
			\$125.000 - \$149.999				

\$150,000 or more

Thank You for Participating!

Please use the space below to make any additional comments you may have. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please call 1-206-302-2436 or email Todd.Lee@noaa.gov